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The transfer books will be closed from the twenty-third day of January to the sixth day of February, inclusive.

Dated at Victoria, the 10th day of January, 1888.

GEO. A. SARGISON, Secretary.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

VANCOUVER WATER WORKS.

TENDERS FOR DAM.

SEALED TENDERS for the construction of a Dam and Weir on the Capilano river, for the Vancouver Water Works Company will be received by the undersigned up to noon on Friday, the 20th of January, 1888.

Plans and specifications can be seen and forms of tender obtained on application at the office of the Company, Vancouver, on and after Tuesday, 27th day of December, 1887.

No tender will be received except on one of the printed forms, with the schedule of quantities correctly priced and not moved out, nor unless accompanied with a certified cheque payable to the undersigned as Secretary of the Company, for an amount equal to five per cent. of the total amount of tender. Each tender to be marked "Tender for Dam," and addressed to the undersigned.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

It is recommended that each person bidding shall visit the site personally, or by competent agent, ascertain the character of the river as to floods, low water, etc. and obtain all the information necessary to enable him to make an intelligent proposal.

Bidders will state whether these recommendations have been complied with.

All available information will be given on application at the office of the Company, Vancouver.

J. W. McFARLAND, Secretary Vancouver Water Works Co.

Vancouver, Dec. 23, 1887. dec23 td

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GENERAL BLACKSMITH

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POLITICALLY IMMORAL

Case of Baird in Queen's County, New Brunswick—The Purchased Politician.

Overtures Made to King to Sell the Constituency—Thousands of Dollars Involved.

(From the Toronto Mail.)

Mr. G. F. Baird, who sat for Queen's, N. B., last session of Parliament, though he received but a minority of the votes polled in the county, is again a candidate; and is opposed, as before, by Mr. King, the victor in the former struggle. The two candidates met the other day. But they did not discuss at any length the right of Mr. Baird to the seat he has held for the past eleven months contrary to the desire of the electors. That subject has been pretty well threshed out, and, besides, Mr. Baird, by resigning, acknowledges that he was in the wrong. There was, moreover, something more interesting than this to lay before the public. Mr. King brought the new points forward. He says that when he and Mr. Baird were nominated last February, Mr. Baird came to him and proposed that a pure election should be run. It is presumed that he wished to make sell the race that Mr. King refused at once to entertain it. The election followed, and with a result favorable to Mr. King. But, on the ground that the majority candidates had not made his deposit in the manner specified by the law, the returning officer declared that he really was not a candidate, though his name had been placed on the ballot papers; and that not being a candidate, he could not be returned as the choice of the electorate. Mr. Baird visited Queen's at the close of last session, and was apparently not very well pleased at the figure he was cutting in the disguise of a duly elected member of Parliament, for he went to Mr. King and announced to him that he intended to resign. The people he was convinced, did not care a blank for either himself or Mr. King. All they wanted was money. Under these circumstances he was about to resign; but before doing so, he wished to know what Mr. King would give or take to avoid a contest. This was an offer to buy out Mr. King or to sell out to Mr. King. Nothing came of the proposal. In the autumn Mr. Baird is alleged to have made another offer. He was going to resign for certain this time. But some of his friends had advanced the opinion that he was not entitled to the $1,000 he had received for his attendance at Ottawa during the session of Parliament. Acknowledging this, and knowing he had no right to the seat, he was willing to hand the money over to the man who should have been at Ottawa. But there was a condition attached to the offer to give up the money; it was simply this, that in the coming contest Mr. King should not be a candidate. Mr. King was thus to give up his political future for $1000 which was justly his own. If Mr. King's story is true—and it is not satisfactorily denied—Mr. Baird is no ordinary politician. In fact, he is so extraordinary that Parliament is not the place for him. Mr. Baird thought last session that a man could fairly represent the people in Parliament though not elected to do so. He now imagines that a seat in the Commons is a legitimate article of commerce.

COMPARISONS, SUGGESTIONS AND A WARNING.

To the Editor of The Times:

Sir,—In this first month of the present year of grace the burden of taxation in the United States is fully fifty per cent. less than we bear in Canada, yet their treasury is glutted with a surplus revenue which, if President Cleveland's message means anything, will be remitted in the next assessment, whilst a new departure is to be taken in favor of free trade against monopoly, and the close of this year may therefore see the sixty millions of people of the United States the most lightly taxed civilized community in the world. Meanwhile what is the condition of Canadians under a pseudo Tory administration across this artificial boundary that unnaturally divides them from commercial union with friends owing the same origin; speaking the same language and with whom they are geographically united, and who, but in the yesterday of history, were as we are now, an appendage of Tory Imperialism. What message of peace or good will of remission of taxes and initiation of free trade are we to expect from the effete administration that holds Canada in its fecklent coils, steeped, as it is, to the tips with corruption and loaded with debt; committed to a policy of so-called protection, which is only protective to monopoly at the cost of consumers, and is but a revenue tariff in disguise? Protection is it? A workman sells his labor for $3 a day at utmost. Indirect taxation on the commodities he buys with the money he earns, takes from him $1 out of every three; that is to say that in the six working days of the week he works four days of the week for himself and family, and two days gratis as fended bondsmen to the government for the protection it gives him. His clothes are taxed; his food is taxed; his tools are taxed; his crockery is taxed; his home—if he has one—is taxed; and if by his industry he improves that home, his improvements must be taxed to encourage the industry of others; whilst for his further protection the cheap labor of Europe is brought to his door to compete with his own, and their passage assisted by the taxes he pays. I will say nothing as to Chinese labor also. There are "taxes upon every article "that enters into his mouth, or covers "his back, or is placed under his foot. "Taxes upon everything which it is "pleasant to see, hear, feel, smell or "taste; taxes on lights and locomotion; "taxes on everything on earth and under "the earth, on all that comes from "abroad; taxes on raw material; taxes on "every fresh value that is the product of "the industry of man until he be gathered "to his fathers to be taxed no more!" All this as the outcome of our triple government—imperial, central and local—under the direction of Sir John A. Macdonald. Verily there is truth in the saying that "those nations are governed best that are governed least." Can there be a question that this hybrid Tory—class government—protectionist administration, has produced not the greatest good for the largest number of people, but obversely, the greatest injustice, hardship and distress, for the greatest possible number of people in Canada and is, in other words, a dead failure? Is not their corruption notorious as it is infamous? Have they not trebled the national debt of Canada by subsidies to their supporters, on favorable contracts, and alienated for nominal sums the public domain which is the national wealth, and capital of the people of Canada? Have they not turned what should have been a splendid national engineering enterprise into a gigantic government job, and contrived whilst making the public of Canada pay for its national highway yet to have it an exacting monopoly in the hands of a *private* joint stock company? Is not the government of the Dominion now feeling its way to delude Canada into gravestocing in perpetuity the interest of, I believe, some $220,000,000 (two hundred and thirty millions of dollars) this *private syndicate* has borrowed from its shareholders in Europe, this I presume to be tacked on to the sixty-eight millions of dollars of subsidy the taxpayers have to meet the interest of, that has already been given this private company by the Government of Canada and added to the national debt? Fearing the action of Manitoba against the interest of Sir John's pet monopoly is not the public pulse being felt with a view to the purchase outright of this big white elephant, to be, of course, first depleted of his fat, then sold to Canada as a squeezed orange?

We have already made this close corporation of the C. P. R. a present of millions of acres of land and $78,000,000 to encourage their private enterprise. They have, I understand, since the completion of that enterprise and on an estimate of the entire value of their property, borrowed $230,000,000 or issued interest bearing bonds and securities in Europe to that amount; and the monstrous proposal is being mooted that the people of Canada will undertake to pay this also for the grinding monopoly, whose teeth we can draw by simple legislation. Are our rulers insane? Or is that patient beast of burden—the taxpayer—so apathetic that he will take on his back one burden after another piled upon him till his back be broken by a government who run a private joint stock railway company on the public purse driving the engine of the State along the high road to national bankruptcy utterly regardless of the future of the country. It has been left to the genius of Sir John A. Macdonald to run an entire nation as laborers and dividend earners for a private monopoly. The world never before heard of or witnessed such a spectacle.

The last proposal, if it be true, "that Canada should pay in perpetuity the interest of the money borrowed by this oppressive private monopoly, that is to say, to make the C. P. R. a further present of $230,000,000, fairly takes away one's breath. Yes, and the apathy of taxpayers is, or may be, taken for acquiescence! Our rulers hold a power of attorney for the nation! If honorable men, all right! if unscrupulous, all wrong! for they may saddle us with debt into bankruptcy.

Let us imagine the C. P. R. as it stands were made over with its obligations to the Government for nothing and without further consideration. The country would have to borrow perhaps a hundred million dollars as floating capital to run it with. Our obligations and the cost of the railway to the country would, I believe, then roughly be somewhat as follows:

Subsidy already paid	$ 75,000,000
Obligations to bond holders	230,000,000
Borrowed floating capital	100,000,000
	$405,000,000

The railway would then have cost us in round figures $135,000 per mile, and I would then ask what sort of freight and traffic charges should we have to saddle our own backs with to make the railway pay its way? "*Caveat emptor.*" Let the purchaser beware! But we should probably have to purchase this hungry white elephant at his own price; therefore it were better to let him exist upon his own fat until he may happily expire from legislative and competitive exhaustion. Canada may then buy his hide cheap; have him stuffed, and it will then cost the public little to keep him going. This may be hard lines for those in Europe who have bought and are feeding him; but Canada is too poor to afford to be sentimental over joint stock monopolies; therefore, expert taxidermists reading between the lines may see both wisdom and prudence, if little sentiment, in the suggestion.

On the eve of an election for the Dominion Parliament this letter may offer some points for questions to any offering candidate. If Victoria desires, however, still to support what Sir John Macdonald dubs "National Policy," exhibited in sham protection, political piracy, debt and an onerous grinding taxation, nothing I can say is at all likely to prevent them.

ARTHUR ED. McCALLUM.

ANOTHER FIRE.

The Incendiary Still at Work—The Fire Bug Abroad.

Shortly before noon to-day Mr. A. C. Cowes noticed smoke issuing from the two-storey residence on Yates street adjoining the Dominion House. The alarm was given by the Deluge bell and the firemen belonging to that company turned out very promptly. The Hook and Ladder Company arrived in a few minutes and went to work with axes and buckets, suppressing what might have been a large fire. A number of citizens kept the fire under control until the department arrived. The Tiger hose company connected with the hydrant at the corner of Blanchard and Yates streets, but found no water, on account of the citizens in the lower levels keeping their taps running. The stream from the Deluge hose was effective and did good work. In one corner of the room a five gallon can of coal oil was found, and it was clearly seen that an incendiary had again selected a place where his fiendish work would be most destructive. Had the fire gained headway the Dominion House and the R. C. pro-Cathedral would have surely burned. Every effort is being made by the police to discover the culprit. The firemen have been called out many times and are to be commended for their very effective work.

Really! The Crème de la Crème.

TO-DAY'S DISPATCHES.

Defeat of Manitoba's New Cabinet Minister—Dark Prospects for Premier Harrison.

Purcell, M. P., Unseated and Disqualified—Eastern Canadian General News.

MANITOBA LEGISLATURE.

WINNIPEG, Jan. 12.—The Manitoba legislature convened this afternoon. The speech from the throne intimates that the disallowed railroad legislation would be re-enacted. The government is likely to be defeated at the first opportunity.

MANITOBA'S POLITICAL CRISIS.

WINNIPEG, Jan. 13.—The defeat of M. Burke, the new Provincial Secretary in St. Francois Xavier, renders it almost certain that the Harrison Government is defeated. Indeed it was stated last night, on pretty good authority, that the ministers had resolved to resign. Mr. Greenway is likely to be the coming man, as he commands by far the largest following of any member of the House.

ANOTHER ICE CARNIVAL.

MONTREAL, Jan. 13.—It has been practically agreed to hold a winter carnival in February. The railways and hotels will raise the sum of $10,000.

VOID AND DISQUALIFIED.

CORNWALL, Jan. 13.—At the opening of the Glengarry election trial to-day Judge Ross stated that he had decided from the evidence adduced that bribery had been committed with the consent and knowledge of respondent, and respondent was personally disqualified and the election voided with costs. His lordship ordered a summons to issue against Vernier, Saucier, Tyo, McKenzie and P. Purcell to stand for criminal trial for corrupt practices, and intimated that the day for such trial would be fixed later.

THE PRINTERS' STRIKE.

QUEBEC, Jan. 13.—The printers' strike has not yet ended. Tarte wants the Legislature to pass a law next session declaring the Knights of Labor illegal in Quebec.

A JUST VERDICT.

TORONTO, Jan. 13.—Minnie Brown, 16 years old, foster daughter of William Brown, carpenter, Newmarket, was awarded $2,000, at the assizes here yesterday for seduction. The defendant was Fred. Doane, dentist, Newmarket.

NOTES FROM OTTAWA.

OTTAWA, Jan. 13.—There is a scheme on foot for establishing a penal colony in the Northwest, adjoining the Athabasca river. With view of the development and settlement of that region it is proposed by Warden Redson and endorsed by Logins, inspector of prisons in his annual report.

Ex-Sheriff Powell has firmly determined to go to the polls in Carleton.

The Canada Atlantic railway intends in future to heat its cars by steam.

POLITICAL AND OTHER NEWS.

MONTREAL, Jan. 14.—The disqualification of Purcell in Glengary, created an excitement in political circles here. The result generally is regarded as a great victory for McMaster. It is believed he will be returned at the next election. Independents of both parties strongly condemn the methods resorted to in the late campaign.

The Provincial Government will build a new wing to the court house at a cost of $170,000.

Two new religious orders will shortly be established in Montreal—Franciscans and Dominicans. The former have given instructions for the purchase of a suitable site on which to establish a nunnery and the Dominicans, who already reside at St. Hyacinthe, are expected here some time next summer.

SATISFACTORY NEWS.

MONTREAL, Jan. 14.—So far no known there was not a single case of small-pox throughout the city or province during the whole of last year.

THE STRIKING TYPOS.

QUEBEC, Jan. 14.—The striking printers are returning to work, and the strike is considered at an end. This is principally owing to Cardinal Taschereau's condemnation of the Knights of Labor.

CABLE NEWS.

THE CROWN PRINCE FAINTS.

LONDON, Jan. 13.—The report received last night via Paris from San Remo to the effect that the Crown Prince had fainted yesterday and had remained unconscious several hours, was generally discredited by those who put their faith in the optimistic reports of San Remo's royal patient. As a matter of fact, however, the news that the Crown Prince fainted is not surprising to those who have learned the nature of the disease and have read the report of his physicians made some time ago. In this respect the physicians stated that the patient would for some time, perhaps a few years, appear as a strong robust man, but all the time the terrible malady, with which he is afflicted, would be undermining his health and a sudden collapse might be looked for any time. One effect of the cancer is to produce anæmia, and this, of course, weakens the patient. This is exactly what has happened. While the Prince, as far as outward appearance goes is a healthy man, he is slowly becoming a physical wreck, and little by little the cancer is overcoming his strength and his force of will. Strict orders have been given that no unfavorable bulletins of the Prince's condition are to get abroad and the Empress instructed by physicians to even color the reports sent to the Emperor, as any bad news about Frederick William would endanger the aged monarch's life. The official reports that go out to the world are patterned after those that the Emperor receives. There is no mistaking the truth, the Prince is slowly but surely dying of cancer, and no amount of favorable statements of his condition can alter the fact.

AMERICAN FORGER ARRESTED.

LONDON, Jan. 13.—Ringold Cooper, an American forger, has been arrested in Paris on an extradition warrant for forgery on the London & Westminster bank by which he received $30,000.

The fog continues extremely dense and shows no signs of lifting. Several vessels have gone ashore on account of the fog. The fog has demoralized railway trains on schedule time. Numerous fatalities have occurred.

Prince Oscar, the second son of King Oscar, of Sweden, will be married at Bournemouth shortly, during his mother's visit there to Miss Ebba Munchi, one of his mother's maids of honor.

ONE THING UNCHANGED.

VIENNA, Jan. 12.—Gen. Kaulbars, formerly Russian agent at Sofia, writes to a friend in this city as follows: "Since the time we passed together in Sofia many things have changed, but one thing has not changed, and that is Russia's fixed resolution not to give way under any pretext on those questions concerning which I told the Bulgarians in 1886 the world might end before Russia would make concession."

GENERAL BLOCKADE THREATENED.

BERLIN, Jan. 13.—It is reported that a general blockade of Bulgaria is contemplated by the powers in the event of Prince Ferdinand's refusal to resign the Bulgarian throne.

RUSSIAN BUDGET.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 12.—The Russian budget for 1888 places the ordinary receipts at 861,777,628 roubles, expenditures at 861,277,428 roubles, and the surplus at 500,000 roubles. The extraordinary revenue is estimated at 33,724,800 roubles and the extraordinary expenditures at 34,250,100 roubles.

SENT UP FOR TRIAL.

LONDON, Ont., Jan. 14.—Henry Taylor, ex-manager of the Ontario Investment Association and President of the Bank of London, was sent up for trial this afternoon on one of the first of the five charges of embezzlement. The grand jury found a true bill in his case. He will ask to have the trial postponed until the spring assizes. In the meantime he will remain in jail.

The Weather

For the past few days was cold and blustering. To-day it has moderated, the prospects being that we have had the worst of it.

A genuine blizzard set in at New Westminster on Thursday. At 9:30 in the morning the glass registered 24°; at 12, noon, 19°; at 9 p. m., 5°; and the minimum for the night was 2° above. About three inches of snow fell between 6 and 10 o'clock. To-day the barometer registered the highest point ever recorded here, 30°. The maximum thermometer was 15° above.

At Donald, 45°; Kamloops, 25°; Revelstoke and Clinton, 15°; Ashcroft and Hope, 9°—all below zero.

The Fraser river is comparatively clear of ice, the soft weather of the previous days having broken it up.

ON THE WING.

Capt. Webber, Supt. of the Pacific S.S. line, is in the city.

Capt. John Irving returned this morning from a trip up the Sound.

Mr. D. E. Brown, of the C. P. R., was a passenger from the Sound this morning.

Mr. D. Chisholm, M. P., has arrived at Ottawa. He did not know until he arrived there that the meeting of the House had been opposed.

Mr. Alex. Calder, Cook street, has entered upon his 85th year. A number of friends with the aged gentleman last night celebrated the event at his residence.

Mr. W. Fisher, J. P. of Esquimalt, arrived by way of the Sound and the N. P. R. this morning. He encountered severe weather on the Atlantic, being 11 days in reaching New York from Liverpool. From New York to the coast snow storms, blizzards and blockades were of daily occurrence. He has been absent some five months.

POLICE COURT.

(Before His Worship the Mayor and Robert Ward, J. P.)

D. Spencer was summoned for allowing his chimney to take fire on the evening of 13th January.

Officer Robb swore that on Thursday night, at 11:45, discovered a fire in a chimney in the Arcade building; was present whilst the fire department were at work; there was a large fire in the chimney.

His Worship said he was sorry that the number of chimney fires were becoming more numerous and the fines raised in every case. Mr. Spencer was fined $20.

Loy One, a Chinaman, was charged by Officer Walker with allowing his chimney to take fire.

Officer Walker swore that on Thursday night saw defendant's chimney on fire. Fined $20 and $2 costs.

Maggie Wheeler, charged with being a vagrant. Officer Walker deposed that the woman is a disorderly person. Fined $50 or three months with hard labor.

CHESTNUTS FOR THE COLONIST.

To The Editor of The Times:

Sir,—The following letter was handed by me this morning to the Colonist for insertion and publication and refused.

R. T. WILLIAMS.

Editor Colonist:

Sir,—Your leader of this morning is highly amusing; that portion referring to myself as the "oft defeated candidate" is especially pleasing, and reduced to figures and compared, turns all the laugh there is in it on yourself. I won't refer to these things too often, as I don't like to trip "*ye editor*" up too much. However, the following is a comparison of my defeats with other elections held in this city: Mr. S. Dunk, defeated in three elections by 233 votes; R. T. Williams, defeated in two elections by 30 votes. By the above comparison you will doubtless see the funny side of your unmeaning remarks about R. T. WILLIAMS.

Victoria, 14th January, 1888.

Cowichan News.

Nominations for the municipality of North Cowichan took place on Monday at the Somenos school house, when the following gentlemen were placed in nomination: For Reeve—Wm Drinkwater and W H. Lomas; Councillors—Cowichan ward, Hugh Drumond, G A Lilly; Chemainus ward, S Gibbs; Somenos ward, Hy Evans, Wm Herd, Jas Keir; Quamichan ward, W C Duncan, John Blair; Cowichan ward, Wm Chisholm and G Pinbury, Mr Jas Keir withdrew, leaving only two wards in which any contest was held. The result of to-day's voting was: Reeve, Drinkwater, 42; Lomas, 24. Quamichan ward, Blair, 14; Duncan, 10. Cowichan ward, one spoilt ballot cast, it is supposed for Wm Chisholm and none for Pinbury. The returning officer gave his vote for Chisholm thus completing the council for 1888. A J Bell was returning officer.

The bachelors of Cowichan will give their annual ball on the evening of the 20th at the Quamichan hall.

A blinding snow storm as been raging this afternoon with a cold, gusty wind from N. E.

A Coming Event.

Extensive preparations are in progress for the approaching Caledonian ball and supper, on the anniversary of the birthday of Scotia's favorite bard—Robert Burns—the 25th inst.

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PART OF THE CONTRACT.

The fealty of the Vancouver Herald to the Davie-Robson Government cannot be doubted. The recent changes, however, do not command its approval. In its issue of the 12th inst. it thus discants on the subject:

"Great is the power of blarney, so thinks the Colonist. The public has been so often told by this authority that the local government was composed of the very best men in the province that it might have been prepared for believing that improvement was impossible. Not so, however. It has made the acquaintance of a Mr. THEODORE DAVIE, who has just been made an executive councillor, and it sees that his appointment as a sort of advisory member of the Government will enable it to "meet the House on the 27th inst. strong numerically and intellectually." That ought to settle the fate of the opposition. Mr. DAVIE'S intellectual and numerical fame to make them quake. It is really surprising that the right place was not found for this right man before now. Unless Mr. DAVIE likes to be bespattered with fulsome adulation, he ought to request the organ as a special favor to get in its toadying work on someone else. It is simply disgusting, and being the official organ, it looks as if playing the sycophant to the members of the government was a part of the contract."

A CLEAR ISSUE.

The announcement that Messrs. W. A. ROBERTSON and E. B. CARMICHAEL had withdrawn from the contest for the vacant seat in the city's representation in the Local Legislature, in favor of Mr. R. T. WILLIAMS, has created consternation and dismay in the ministerial wigwam. To the infinite credit of the gentlemen named, they preferred the country's to personal interests. Realizing the fact that their presence in the field was likely to result in the election of the government candidate, with a magnanimity that is seldom met with in the politician, both agreed to leave themselves entirely in the hands of their friends to be dealt with as to them seemed best. Their action in this respect cannot be too highly commended. They will now throw the weight of their influence in favor of Mr. WILLIAMS, who is a much stronger candidate than he was on the previous occasions when he crossed swords with Mr. DUCK. It only requires steady work on the part of his friends for the next few days and his election will be placed beyond a doubt. Mr. DUCK comes out under the wing and shelter of the government. He is its protege and rightly so, for he with the rest of the SMITHE-ROBSON cabinet is largely responsible for the deplorable state into which the province has drifted financially within the last five or six years.

The Colonist, the subsidized organ of the government, hired and paid to defend its acts—be they good or bad—has contended that the granting of so large, and so immensely valuable a tract of land, on Coal Harbor and English Bay is certain to inflict grievous injury upon Victoria, its shipping and mercantile interests, and the value of every acre of its real estate, and transfer the statutory terminus from Port Moody to the points named at the expense of Victoria's ratepayers and those of the province generally. Let the electors remember that whilst these are now the views of the Colonist and its "retired proprietor" neither had the courage to remonstrate with or denounce the government for its action in this respect! On the contrary, both gave a blind support to the government of the day and its scheme to build up a rival to this city! So much for the consistency of our contemporary. Mr. DUCK acquiesced in the act; supported it by his vote and influence as a cabinet minister. If the injury predicted by the Colonist to Victoria will overtake her, on Mr. DUCK'S shoulders will rest a fearful responsibility for the part he played in that affair. Mr. DUCK, as Minister of Finance for a considerable time, is responsible for the gross mismanagement of our finances. Since the accession to power of the present regime so reckless have they been of the people's hard earned taxes that the yearly deficits aggregate a total of close upon a million dollars. For so vast an expenditure, in addition to the ordinary revenue, no public works of any magnitude can be pointed out by Mr. DUCK, the government or its friends. So alarming did the repeated deficits become that it was deemed necessary to borrow a million dollars wherewith to liquidate the floating debt created by bad management. As already shown in these columns the proceeds of this loan has disappeared in a manner reminding one of snow under the rays of a tropical July sun.

Taxation has been increased—a science in favor with the government known to and endorsed by Mr. NOAH SHAKESPEARE. The value of property doubled; and the rate of assessment increased by fifty, and in many instances, one hundred per cent. Notwithstanding all this, there will be another deficit for the current financial year.

In the face of such damaging evidence against Mr. DUCK, to say nothing of his previous record as a "flopper," we ask the electors of Victoria if they are prepared to have their interests thus trifled with? The government has had a fair trial at their hands and unless we are greatly mistaken in reading public opinion the verdict is that it has been found wanting and neglectful of the best interests of Victoria. But of this more hereafter.

Stress is laid by the Colonist on the fact that Mr. WILLIAMS has been twice defeated and styles him the "oft defeated" candidate! But what of its protege? If our information is correct, Mr. DUCK has been *thrice rejected* by the electors of Victoria, and doubtless for substantial and good reasons. Mr. WILLIAMS enters the contest with a determination to win. His friends are more numerous now than they ever were before. The contest, though likely to be a close and keenly contested one, is certain to be favorable in his election, and by a good majority. But his friends must rally to his support.

POLITICAL POINTERS.

"Where there is smoke there will fire be found also." The Toronto Mail's correspondent at Ottawa says: "It is reported that Mr. John Robson, Provincial Secretary of British Columbia, who visited Ottawa a few weeks ago, has been called to the Senate to fill the vacancy caused by the appointment of Mr. Nelson to the Lieutenant-Governorship." It is further stated that Mr. Robson is a journalist by profession. He may be secretly connected with the Colonist now that Mr. Higgins has "retired," and with the Columbian, but since becoming a minister Mr. Robson has not openly retained his connection with the press. It is doubtless true that he has received or been promised the Senatorship. After Robson will come the Deluge.

"British Columbia never had a representative in the Commons named Thompson."—Victoria Colonist.

What does the people of Cariboo think of our contemporary as an authority?

THE COMMONS ELECTION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES:

SIR,—Now that we have got through with the municipal elections, I think that we should give some thought to the more important subject of filling the seat left vacant by Mr. Shakespeare's skip out into a nice comfortable billet. I should like to ask the one hundred and fourteen gentlemen signing the requisition to Mr. Prior whether they are willing "to go it blind" on that gentleman, and allow him to quietly take his seat without their, in the least, understanding the course he intends to adopt and pursue as our representative in the House of Commons? It is true, sir, we have it on the veracity of the Victoria *Colonist* that Mr. Prior is the *nominee* of the Ottawa government; but whether that is any particular recommendation I think is open to grave doubts. If being the nominee means that Mr. Prior is to become a pliable piece of putty in the hands of Sir John, to be moulded into any shape Sir John pleases, like his predecessor, Mr. Shakespeare, who did not dare to remonstrate, lest he should jeopardize his claim and chance to the valuable billet that was ever within sight, but never within reach, of a real live Reformer, then I say, if I say, that is the meaning of being "the nominee of the Ottawa Government," then I think we should fully understand the matter before Mr. Prior is elected—so that there may be no finding fault in the future. And here let me advise Mr. Prior that, if he has any idea of making his seat in the House of Commons, together with a subservient following in support of the Government of Sir John, a stepping-stone to some nice fat billet to acknowledge the corn at the outset and not indignantly deny it like his humbugging predecessor did at the meeting in the theatre just before the last election, when he spurned the idea that he could be guilty of harboring a wish for the position of postmaster for the city instead of Mr. Wallace. I hold, Mr. Editor, that the gentlemen signing the requisition to Mr. Prior are (in a great measure) responsible to the people of Victoria district for the course he adopts in the House of Commons. One thing is very certain, if Mr. Prior, like his predecessor, is after a billet we may say goodbye to his independence and to any probability of this city receiving its just dues from the Ottawa Government, for how can it be expected that while our representatives are ever on the lookout for a billet for themselves that they will quarrel with the power that has the giving of the billet. They may blow and protest as much as they like about stoppage of the subsidies to California steamers, and every other matter equally important to this city, but their protests will amount to very little so long as Sir John knows that the prospects of a sinecure office will cause them to record their votes in his favor. So far we have not had a word either from Mr. Prior's reply to the requisition, or from any platform speech of his, to enlighten us as to his intended course.

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Times Office,
Victoria, Jan. 11, 1888.

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Flour—Hungarian	$ 4 75	$5 50
" Strong Bakers	0 00	5 00
" Royal	5 50	0 00
" Superfine	4 00	0 00
" Snowflake	4 25	0 00
Wheat per ton	$ 0	25 00
Oats "	30 00	32 00
Barley "	22 00	00 00
Middlings per ton	28 00	29 00
Bran "	22 00	23 00
Ground feed "	30 00	33 00
Oil Cake "	37 00	40 00
Corn, whole, "	25 00	27 00
Corn, cracked "	28 00	29 00
Corn Meal per 100 lbs	3 00	3 00
Oatmeal "	3 50	4 75
Beans, large white, 100 lbs	3 00	3 50
" small white, "	3 00	3 50
" Rice "	3 50	4 00
Peas for feed "	1 75	0 00
Potatoes "	1 50	1 75
Onions "	2 25	2 50
Hay per ton, baled	17 50	20 00
Straw per bale	1 00	1 25
Apples per box, imported	1 25	1 50
" California, per box	1 50	1 75
Peaches " "	1 50	2 00
Plums per box	1 25	1 50
Lemons, California, per box	5 00	5 50
" Messina, per box	4 50	4 75
" Malaga, per box	4 50	5 00
Oranges per box	3 50	4 00
Grapes, crated	1 50	2 00
Pineapples per box	4 00	4 50
Eggs per dozen, Island	30	0 00
" imported	30	0 00
Butter, roll, Island, per lb	30	0 00
" imported	25	28
" tub or firkin, imported	25	28
Cheese, local	13	0 00
" Canadian	13	0 00
" imported, California	13	00
Ham, Canadian	13	14
" American	14	15
Ham, home production	14	
Bacon, do	12	13
Bacon, Canadian, breakfast	14	00
" American "	14	16
Shoulders	12	00
Rolled	12	14
Lard	11	12
Hams, according to grade from	6	9
Tongues, imported	20	45
Venison, fresh	20	25
" Congress	21	25
" English breakfast	21	25
Coffee, Costa Rica, green	27	30
" Old Government Java	32	35
" Mocha	32	35
Tobacco, T & B plug, per lb	55	57
Cut tobacco, T & B	68	70
Tobacco, J B Pace's	95	1 00
" Climax, chewing	1 00	1 05
Oil, Am., Illuminat'g, p co 10 gal	2 75	
" Canadian "	2 50	2 75
" Lubricating "	25	1 25
Cut nails, 10 to 60 dy, p k 100 lbs	4 25	00
" " 8 dy and 9 dy	4 50	00
" " 6 dy and 7 dy	5 00	00
" " 4 dy and 5 dy	5 00	00
Horse nails, point and fine	4 50	4 75
Hope, Manilla	12	15
Sisal	12	14
Axes, Columbia, per doz	16 00	18 00
Meats—Beef per lb	8	10
" Mutton "	10	12
" Lamb "	15	18
" Veal "	15	18
" Tallow "	4	6
" Lard, leaf, per lb	15	00
" Sausages, pork, per lb	15	00
" Head Cheese, "	15	00
Whiskies—Scotch, gls	3 00	00
" Dannville, Irish	2 75	00
" Canadian Rye, gls	3 00	00
" Old Bourbon "	3 00	11 00
" Rye and Malt, p gal	1 50	2 00
Brandies—Hennessy's, case	15 50	16 50
" Martell's, x and x x x	15 50	16 50
Gin—DeKuyper's, red case	9 00	00
" " green case	9 00	9 00
" Booth's old Tom	6 50	9 00
Rum—Jamaica, 30 o p	3 50	6 00
" Demarara "	3 45	6 00
Wines—Port, common	2 50	3 00
" Fine, old	4 00	6 00
" Sherry, common	4 00	6 00
" " old	4 00	6 00
Ale—English, 8 doz cases, pts	11 25	12 50
" " 4 doz qts	11 25	12 50
Porter—Guinness' stout, pts	11 00	11 00
" " qts	11 00	11 00
Ale—Colonial, qts	4 50	4 50
Porter—Colonial "	4 50	4 50
Cubes—or bulk	5 50	00
Linseed—U, gal boiled	95	00
" raw	90	00
Paints—White Lead, No 1	8	00
" Yellow	8	00
" Black	8	00
Putty per lb	6	00
Wilmington pitch	4 50	00
Stockholm tar	11 50	00
Skidegate oil, bbl, gal	75	00

PRICES BY RETAIL.

Beef, side or carcass, per lb	8	10
Beef, hind quarters, per lb	10	12
Beef, fore quarters, per lb	6	10
Beef, roasts and steaks, per lb	10	15
Hearts	10	20
Livers	5	10
Tongues	20	25
Shanks	5	10
Pork, roast and steaks, per lb	12½	15
Pork, carcass, per lb	10	12
Pork, pickled, per lb	12	15
Pork, smoked, per lb	12	15
Pork, leaf, rendered, per lb	15	20
Pork, ham sugar-cured, per lb	15	18
Sausage, per lb	10	15
Mutton, carcass, per lb	10	10
" legs and chops	15	16
Veal, carcass, per lb	10	15
" roast, per lb	15	20
Sugar, granulated, per lb	9	9
" crushed, per lb	12	12
" loaf, per lb	20	25
Cheese, per lb	15	20
Bread, per loaf	10	10
Dried apples	12½	15
Potatoes	30	30
Hay, per ton, pressed	25 00	30 00
Flour, per bbl	5 25	5 75
Bran, per lb	00 1½	00 00
Shorts, per lb	00 1½	00 00
Oats, per lb	00 1½	00 00
Chopped feed, per lb	00 1½	00 00
Barley "	00 2	0 2
Wheat "	00 2	0 2
Oatmeal per 10 lb sack	35	00
Eggs, per doz, fresh	30	35
" packed	20	25
Butter, fresh, per lb	00	25
" keg	25	30
" California Roll	1 00	00
" Pickled do	0 75	00
Lard, per lb	15	20
White beans, per lb	4	5
Navy, per lb	7	10
Hides, horse, per lb	5	6
" cows	6	8
Skins, sheep, each	50	40
Wool, tanners, cord	$ 20	4 00
Coal, per ton, 2000 lbs	7 00	8 00
Coal oil, case	1 00	2 50

IN THE CELLAR.

Continued.

III.

The war had been over ten years when the wanderer returned. In his absence he had prospered, and his face wore the placid composure of a man who had no past to regret, and no secret to hide from his fellow men.

Gates demanded the house, and his faithful tenant gave it up. The owner furnished it comfortably and moved in, and appeared to be so well pleased with his surroundings that his old neighbors were delighted.

"I have seen every nook and corner in the house except the cellar," remarked a friend who was going over the house with the proprietor.

"The cellar!" exclaimed Gates. "Oh, yes, of course I'll show you that."

He led the way, and his companion praised everything in high terms.

"The wall at this end," he said, "is well built, but it is more massive than any other part of the work. It was built to last forever."

"Just so," replied Gates, with a dry laugh. "No, I don't mean that exactly. The supply of material was limited and the mason used what he had. I am satisfied with it."

But after the departure of his guest Gates scowled and shook his fist.

"D—n him for a meddling fool!" he said. "What does he know about it? Suspicious, perhaps, and wants to pry around here. Hum! I must be on my guard."

The wretched man paced the floor.

"It is the mystery of it and not the deed," he continued, "that weighs upon my mind. I found a robber in my house and I slew him. There was no crime in that. But I had to bury my own instead of one. Who was the second man? Who killed him? How came his body there? No living person, but myself could have entered the cellar. Pshaw! I am going over the same questions that have worried me for the last ten years. There is no explanation, absolutely none, and I am a fool to go on in this way."

The visit to the cellar seemed to unnerve Gates, and his health and spirits began to decline.

A heavy misfortune set in, and Gates found himself alone one night. There was no danger of interruption in such weather, as nobody would care to pay a visit outside in a time of ills and chills.

"I must see them!" cried Gates, "and I will."

He went to the outhouse where the tools were stored, and then proceeded to the cellar.

It was as hard to tear down the wall as it had been to build it, but after awhile the worker succeeded in removing a great mass of granite and mortar.

Gates reached over back of the wall and pulled out a skeleton covered with tattered fragments of blue. He laid it on the floor.

"Is that the man I killed or the other?" he whispered.

Another pull and the second skeleton rested by the side of the first.

"I thought," gasped Gates, "that I felt something else over there."

He stretched out both hands behind the wall and caught something. He dragged it out, and threw it on the floor.

Then he held up the lamp and stared wildly before him.

There were three skeletons on the floor!

"One, two, three," said Gates.

He rubbed his eyes and began the count again.

"One, two, three!"

He fell on his knees and felt of each skeleton.

"One, two, three!" he shrieked.

It was more than the suffering man could stand. He toppled over, limp and motionless, in a dead faint.

Early in the morning the few people in the streets were astonished to see Gates running aimlessly in every direction. His dress was disordered and his eyes glared like those of a maniac.

"One, two, three!" he shouted.

Several attempts were made to stop him, but he broke away and continued to run. Some one saw him draw a long knife, and the crowd scattered, fearing that he was about to attack them.

"One, two, three!" screamed the madman, plunging the knife into his breast three times.

He fell on the sidewalk, rolled over once and was dead when the spectators reached the spot.

Quite a sensation was caused by the discovery of three skeletons in the cellar under the Gates house, but the mystery was never explained. It was generally surmised that some horrible tragedy must have occurred there during the war, but its nature and the parties to it could not be ascertained. It was thought that Gates had unexpectedly come upon the skeletons, and the fright occasioned by the ghastly spectacle had turned him into a raving madman.—Wallace P. Reed in Atlanta Constitution.

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NOTICES.

NOTICE.

In the matter of the Estate and Effects of WILLIAM BACHELOR, commonly known as FREDERICK REYNOLDS, deceased.

ALL PERSONS indebted to this Estate are required to pay the amounts due forthwith, and all persons who have any claims against the said Estate are required to send the same, on or before the 31st day of January, 1888, to

MESSRS. DAVIS & POOLEY,
Solicitors for
Messrs. John D. Bryant and William McLean, Executors.

Dated Victoria, 8th November, 1887. nov30

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that at the next sitting of the Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company will apply for leave to introduce and pass a bill enabling them to construct a branch line from a point on their railway between Esquimalt and Goldstream, to a point on the north shore of the Straits of Fuca, between Pedder Bay and Otter Point.

Dated at Victoria, the 29th day of November, A. D., 1887.

CHARLES WILSON,
nov 29 td Solicitor for the applicants.

NOTICE.

KING TYE CO. beg to inform the public that they have secured the services of L. MONGKOW from October 17th, 1887, to act with LEONG KEE as Interpreter on behalf of the said firm. KING TYE CO.

Victoria, B. C. Oct. 31, 1887. 6m

"Land Registry Ordinance, 1870,"

Lot No. 113 in the City of Victoria.

A CERTIFICATE of Indefeasible Title to the above mentioned lot will be issued to William A. Bluett on the 9th day of March, 1888, unless in the meantime a valid objection be made to the undersigned, in writing, by some person claiming an estate or interest in said lot of some part thereof.

CHAS. J. LEGGATT,
Registrar-General.

Land Registry Office,
Victoria, 5th December, 1887. dec9 td

"Land Registry Ordinance, 1870,"

Lots No. 638, 639 and 659 in the City of Victoria.

WHEREAS the Certificate of Title of the Trustees of the Pandora Street Victoria Congregation of the Methodist Church of Canada, to the above mentioned Lots, bearing date the 25th day of February, 1878, has been lost, and application has been made for a duplicate of such certificate; Notice is therefore hereby given that such duplicate will be issued unless cause be shown to the contrary, in writing, within one month from the date hereof.

CHAS. JAS. LEGGATT,
Registrar-General.

Land Registry Office, Victoria,
11th December, 1887. dec14 1m

Notice of Private Bills.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to incorporate a Company for the construction and operation of a line of railway commencing at a point at or near Michel Creek, Crow's Nest Pass, Kootenay District, thence by the valley of the Kootenay River, thence by way of Cranbrook and the Moyie Pass and Goat River to the lower Kootenay River, in the Province of British Columbia.

ERSKINE & TAYLOR,
Solicitors for Applicants.

Dated 6th December, 1887.
Victoria, B. C. dec17 td

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the firm of J. C. Jones & Co., Brickmakers, James Island, has this day made an assignment of all its property and effects in trust for the benefit of its several creditors to J. C. Devlin, Victoria, to whom all claims against the said firm must be presented on or before the 20th day of February, 1888.

Victoria, Dec. 19, 1887. dec19 3m

"Land Registry Ordinance, 1870."

Lot 12 and Part of Lot 25, Oakland Estate, being part of Section XXIX XXX, Vict. Dist.

WHEREAS the Certificate of Title of Charles Fellows, late of Victoria, Province of British Columbia, to the above mentioned property, bearing date the 6th day of June, 1862, has been lost and application has been made for a duplicate of such certificate. Notice is therefore hereby given that such duplicate will be issued unless cause be shown to the contrary, in writing, within one month from the date thereof.

CHAS. JAS. LEGGATT,
Registrar-General.

Land Registry Office, Victoria,
21st December, 1887. dec14 1m

Quesnelle Quartz Mining Company

(LIMITED.)

Location of Works, Hixon Creek, B.C.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a meeting of the Trustees of said Company, held on the 28th November, 1887, an Assessment of One Cent per share was levied upon the capital stock of said Company, payable December 26th, at the office of the Company, Quesnelle, B. C.

Any stock upon which said assessment shall remain unpaid on the 26th January, 1888, shall be deemed delinquent and will be duly advertised for sale at public auction and unless payment shall be made before, will be sold on the 16th day of February, 1888, to pay the delinquent assessment, together with costs of advertising and expenses of the sale.

W. A. JOHNSTON, Secretary.

Quesnelle, B. C., Dec. 15, 1887. dec22 dw 6w

TAKE NOTICE

That an application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at its next session for an Act to amend the Act incorporating the Okanagan Railway Company by extending the time for the commencement and completion of the said railway, and by increasing the amount to which the Company is authorized to issue bonds, and for such other amendments as to Parliament seem fit.

Dated this 1st day of December, 1887.

CAMERON & McPHILLIPS,
Solicitors for the Company.

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NOTICE.

APPLICATION will be made at the sessions of the Legislative Assembly for an Act to incorporate J. C. Ainsworth, George A. Ainsworth and John S. Baker, under the name of "The Columbia and Kootenay Railway and Transportation Company," for the purpose of running a line of steamers from a point on Kootenay River at or near the place where the southern boundary line of British Columbia intersects the said river, down the said river and through the said Kootenay Lake to its outlet, and for constructing and operating a line of railway from Kootenay Lake to the Columbia River, and for operating a line of steamers up the Columbia to the head of navigation.

DRAKE, JOHNSON & HELMCKEN,
Solicitors for Applicants.

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Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company.

LAND DEPARTMENT.

Notice to Claimants under the "Act Relating to the Island Railway, the Graving Dock and Railway Lands of the Province."

The Company is now prepared to issue Conveyances of Title to all Claimants entitled to the same under the provisions of the above Act, and who have fulfilled the requirements of the British Columbia "Land Act, 1884."

E. DUNSMUIR,
President.

JOHN TRUTCH,
Land Commissioner.

Victoria, B. C., July 25th, 1887. tel28

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CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

BALANCE SHEET, 31st DECEMBER, 1887.

ASSETS.		LIABILITIES.	
Municipal Taxes	$ 10,602 30	Corporation Summary	$ 49,791 25
Victoria Water Works, Sinking Fund, $100,000 Loan,	31,000 00	Revenue Account	10,882 00
do $50,000 do	21,325 00	Bank B. N. A.	1,305 75
do $20,000 do	4,120 00	Ross Bay Cemetery	2,309 08
Electric Light Debentures: Sinking Fund	1,215 85	Corporation Debentures	20,000 00
Drainage Debentures: Sinking Fund	878 00	Cemetery Property	1,000 00
Water Works Debentures: Sinking Fund, $95,000 loan	1,584 80	Dominion Debentures	5,000 00
Street Debentures: Sinking Fund	646 15	Electric Light Debentures	10,000 00
Debentures: Sinking Fund	8,722 24	Streets and Bridges Debentures	30,000 00
Wards of City	525 37	Water Works $75,000 Debentures	75,000 00
Electric Light Plant	31,644 00		
Corporation Horses and Carts	1,291 50		
Town Lot 1249	2,410 00		
Town Lot 1250	2,000 00		
Spring Ridge Property	2,164 55		
do do House	800 28		
Pound Property	1,500 11		
Street Gas Lamps	649 00		
Drainage Account	4,449 75		
City Hall	35,921 07		
Steam Engine	1,000 00		
Corporation Seal	300 00		
Fountain	300 00		
Electric Light Building	7,861 00		
Office Furniture	2,000 00		
Water Works Reservoirs	28,000 15		
Water Works Reservoirs: Bank B. N. A. Account	1,910 30		
Road Roller and Rock Crusher	6,097 42		
Police Lockup	1,477 50		
Snow	200 00		
Steam Drills	1,500 00		
Street Sprinkler	180 00		
Street Scraper	300 00		
Bank British Columbia	45,000 00		
Cash on hand	452 67		
	$242,971 00		$242,971 00

Victoria, B. C., 11th January, 1888.

THOS. RUSSELL, Accountant.
J. W. GRIFFITHS, Auditor.

Cash Statement for the Year Ending 31st December, 1887.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURES.	
Balance, 1st January, 1887	$ 193 62	Water Works, General Account	$ 10,228 45
Bank B. N. A., Increase of balance	2,422 33	Water Works: Sinking Fund, $100,000 Loan	2,000 00
Water Works, Rents (general account)	27,270 44	do $50,000 do	1,750 00
Fire Insurance Company's Tax	5,000 00	do $20,000 do	512 00
Street Repairs, Refund	300 07	Fire Department	11,463 10
Surveying Street Lines	328 25	Electric Light Debentures, Sink'g Fd	598 00
Street Lighting, Refund	25 00	Drainage Debentures, Sinking Fund	186 00
Water Works Debentures: Interest Accrued on $75,000 Loan	3,651 37	Water Works Sinking Fund, $75,000 Loan	1,577 40
Real Estate Tax	54,669 90	Street Debentures Sinking Fund, $50,000 Loan	444 00
Trades licenses	17,918 50	Street Repairs	27,016 91
Wholesale Liquor Licenses	1,075 00	City Police	14,576 65
Retail do do	16,206 00	City Pound	898 52
Road Tax	1,336 00	Charges, including Salaries, Printing, Advertising, Election expenses, etc.	9,014 36
Dog Tax	634 00	Surveying Expenses	2,300 00
Sale of Dogs	5 00	Board of Health	2,094 75
Police Court, Fines and Fees	4,327 75	Street Lighting	8,415 28
Ross Bay Cemetery, Fees	2,044 50	Sidewalks	11,810 00
Corporate Seal	15 00	Land Registry	142 00
Water Works Debentures: $75,000 Loan	25,000 00	Commission on Collections	482 00
Water Works Reservoirs: Cement Sold	1,825 00	Donations	1,200 75
Water Works Reservoirs: Account with Bank B. N. A.	29,448 15	Corporation Debentures, Sinking Fd.	519 00
Bank B. C. Special Deposit		Corporation Debentures, Interest	1,019 50
$75,000 Loan Reservoir Debentures	45,000 00	Water Works, Interest $100,000 Loan	3,475 00
		do do 50,000 do	2,325 00
		do do 20,000 do	1,000 00
		Electric Light Debentures, Interest	900 00
		Drainage Debentures, Interest	300 00
		Beacon Hill Park	670 89
		General Interest	1,800 25
		Water Works Debentures, Interest $75,000 Loan	3,750 00
		Street Debentures, Interest $50,000 L'n	2,500 00
		Dog Tax, Taxes	25 00
		Weighing Machine	120 00
		Police Court, Fines and Fees Refund	25 75
		Ross Bay Cemetery	1,522 75
		Electric Light Plant	375 00
		Drainage	190 00
		City Hall	40 00
		Water Works Reservoirs: Bank B. N. A. Account	29,448 15
		Water Works Reservoirs: Bank B. N. A. Account	29,625 00
		Road Roller and Rock Crusher	283 42
		Police Lockup	1,477 50
		Steam Drills	110 00
		Sessional Relief Fund	1,000 00
		Street Sprinkler	300 00
		Street Scraper	300 00
		Water Works Debentures, $75,000 Loan	45,000 00
		Cash Balance	452 67
	$243,384 94		$243,384 94

Victoria, B. C., 11th January, 1888.

THOS. RUSSELL, Accountant.
J. W. GRIFFITHS, Auditor.

Statement of Cash Assets and Liabilities, 31st Dec'r, 1887.

ASSETS.		LIABILITIES.	
Municipal Taxes	$ 10,602 30	Bank of B. N. A.	$ 7,205 75
Cash Balance	452 67	Contracts on Hand	844 00
		Police Court Fines and Fees, Reports, etc., claimed by Government	1,000 00
		Sundry small Accounts Unpaid	716 00
		Balance	7,350 82
	$ 17,116 97		$ 17,116 97

Victoria, B. C., January 7th, 1888.

THOMAS RUSSELL, Accountant.
J. W. GRIFFITHS, Auditor.

Interest and Sinking Fund Account.

1886. RECEIPTS.		DISBURSEMENTS.	
Nov. 30—Balance to Credit of Acct	$ 53,625 92	Paid Interest on Coupons presented between 1st Dec'r, 1886, and 30th Nov'r, 1887	$ 12,203 75
Cash received from the Corporation of Victoria, between 1st Dec'r, 1886, and 30th Nov'r, 1887, to pay interest on all Loans	12,203 75	Balance	53,546 05
Do. do. Sinking Fund	1,814 44		
Interest allowed by Bank B. N. A. on amounts at credit of Sinking Fund	1,554 69		
	$ 69,198 80		$ 69,198 80

Victoria, B. C., 11th January, 1888.

THOS. RUSSELL, Accountant.
J. W. GRIFFITHS, Auditor.

CITY HALL, VICTORIA, B. C., January 11th, 1888.

To His Worship the Mayor and Municipal Council:

GENTLEMEN,—I have examined the corporation books and vouchers for the year ending December 31st, 1887, and found them correct.

Please find herewith the annual Balance Sheet for 1887, also Statement of Cash Receipts and Expenditures for the year.

The only items I need mention as not shown in the accounts, are a liability of $1,000, which will have to be refunded, being a recognizance claimed by the Government, and which is included in the police fines and fees received during the past year, and a number of small accounts, amounting to $716.00.

Your obedient servant,

J. W. GRIFFITHS, Auditor.

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NEITHER THE OWNER NOR THE Captain shall be responsible for any debts contracted on account of the Schooner "Penelope" without a written order from

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Carried off two premiums at the late Mechanics' Fair, Portland. At New Orleans against close of Exhibition, at a higher price than any other flour, and pronounced by leading bakers to be the best they ever used.

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Government street, between Johnson and Fort streets.

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NOTICE.

In the matter of the Estate of Ann Elizabeth Wilson Williams, deceased.

ALL PERSONS INDEBTED TO OR having any claims against the estate of the above named deceased are requested to send particulars of their claims to the Executor, Mr. Charles Pemberton, Belmont Hotel, Johnson Street, Victoria.

Dated 7th day of December, 1887.

E. PEMBERTON,
Solicitor for Executor.

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Shortest, Quickest,

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STEAMERS OF THE
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Leave the H. R. wharf daily (except Sundays) at 7 a. m., making close connections with all through trains.

For Tickets, Sleeping Car Berths, and further information, apply at the City Ticket Office, Government Street.

W. D. HUGHES,
Acting Agent.

D. R. BROWN,
Dist. F. and Pass. Ag't, Vancouver.

Esquimalt & Nanaimo RAILROAD.

Winter Arrangement.

TIME TABLE No. 5

To take effect at 9:01 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 1st, 1887.

☞ Trains run on Pacific Standard Time. ☜

CHEAP RATES.

Until further notice Return Tickets for one and a half ordinary fare will be issued to any point on the line, good for three days, including the day of issue.

R. DUNSMUIR, President.
JOSEPH HUNTER, General Supt.
H. S. PRIOR, General Freight and Passenger Agent.
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To San Francisco, Cal.,

BY WAY OF THE

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Quicker in Time than any other Route between

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Leave Victoria daily, at 7:00 p.m. Sunday excepted.

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Fare from Portland to Sacramento and San Francisco—Unlimited 60; First-class, $50; Second-class, limited $15.

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E. P. ROGERS, Gen. Freight & Pass. Agent.
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Drawings and estimates may be sent at the Office of the Agents for Victoria.

H. M. & M. WALLACE,
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STEAMSHIPS.

CANADIAN PACIFIC Navigation Co.

(LIMITED.)

TIME TABLE NO. 9.

Taking effect December 1, 1887.

Burrard Inlet Route

VICTORIA TO
Vancouver and Nobl'ville,

Daily except Monday, at 1 o'clock.

VANCOUVER to Victoria,

Daily except Monday, at 10:30 o'clock, on arrival of C. P. Railway train.

New Westminster Route.

LEAVE VICTORIA

For New Westminster, Ladner's Landing and Lulu Island,

Tuesday, at 8 o'clock; Thursday and Sunday at 7 o'clock.

Pimper Pass

Sunday at 7 o'clock.

Leaves New Westminster for Victoria

Monday at 12 o'clock; Wednesday and Friday at 7 a.m.

For Pimper Pass,

Monday, at 12 o'clock.

Steamers for Chilliwhack and way landings leave New Westminster every Monday, Wednesday and Saturday at 7 o'clock.

Barclay Sound Route.

Steamer Maude leaves Victoria for Alberni and Sound Ports Dec. 23d.

The Company reserves the right of changing this Time Table at any time without notification.

G. A. CARLETON, GEN. AGENT. JOHN IRVING, MANAGER.

Steamer "Rainbow."

WINTER ARRANGEMENT.

THE STEAMER RAINBOW, CAPT. CAVIN, will sail

FOR NEW WESTMINSTER AND WAY PORTS

On Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday Mornings at 7 o'clock,

Returning Wednesday, Friday and Sunday.

For particulars, apply to

TURNER BEETON & CO.
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Oceanic Steamship Company.

Carrying United States, Hawaiian and Colonial Mails.

WILL LEAVE the Company's Wharf, Folsom Street, San Francisco, California, for

AUCKLAND AND SYDNEY,

WITHOUT CHANGE

THE MAGNIFICENT NEW IRON STEAMER

MARIPOSA,

Jan. 12, at 2 p. m.

Or immediately on arrival of the English mails.

FOR HONOLULU,

The magnificent steamer "Australia," Jan. 21.

☞ For freight or passage apply at office, 327 Market St. JOHN D. SPRECKELS & BROS., 327 Market Street, San Francisco, California.

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COMPANY'S STEAMERS for

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City of Rio de Janeiro, Jan. 25
City of New York, Feb. 15

For New York via Mexico, Central America and Panama.

Steamers will sail 5th, 15th and 25th of each month, at 9 a. m., for ports of Mexico, Central America, South America, Europe and Asia. For rates of freight and passage, apply at the office of the Company, 214 California Street, San Francisco.

WILLIAMS, DIMOND & CO., Gen. Agents.
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S. S. HYAMS,

OPTICIAN, 607 Fort Street, between Broad and Douglas Streets, Victoria, B. C. Perfected Spectacles and Eye Glasses always on hand and carefully adjusted to sight; twenty-five years experience in fitting glasses. Satisfaction guaranteed. ☞ OPTICAL GOODS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION. dec22 1m

Hudson's Bay Company.

Several Carloads of Assorted Canned Fruits have just been received from the Delhi Canning Co.,

—CONSISTING OF—

SWEET PEAS, SWEET CORN,
FRESH PEACHES, FRESH TOMATOES,
FRESH BEANS, FRESH STRAWBERRIES,
CHERRIES, PEARS, &c., &c.

Also, a supply of 1lb. tins Lobsters from A. R. Loggie and John Baird & Co.

The quality of these Goods is unsurpassed and the Prices are low.

The Daily Times.

PUBLISHED EVERY AFTERNOON EXCEPT SUNDAY.

Victoria, Saturday, Jan'y 14, 1888.

DIED.

VAN ALSTINE—Accidentally, at Chemainus, on the 11th inst., Calvin Van Alstine, aged 28 years, a native of Eastern Canada.

The funeral will take place from Mr. Storey's Undertaking Rooms, Government street, on Sunday, the 15th inst., at 1.15 p. m., to the Cemetery. The Rev. Donald Fraser, M. A., will conduct the funeral services at Mr. Storey's Rooms and at the grave.

CITY AND PROVINCE.

—Winsor & Newton's artists' materials for sale by T. N. Hibben & Co.'s

—Money saved by having your plans made by FRASER, the ARCHITECT *

Several young ladies will take the Business Course at the *Victoria Business College.* *

—We keep constantly on hand a stock of the unrivalled Taylor's safes and vault doors. M. W. Waitt & Co. *

—For your Christmas glassware and crockery John Weiler's is the place. *

—A special line of fancy cups and saucers, at John Weiler's, Fort street. *

Get a practical knowledge of Book-keeping from practical business men at the *Victoria Business College.* *

—A preliminary meeting of the French Benevolent Society will take place to-morrow afternoon.

Creme de la Creme Cigars; A. R. Gray & Co., Agents.

—The annual meeting of the British Columbia Rifle Association will be held at the Y. M. C. A. rooms on Monday evening.

—The steamer Yosemite will leave for Vancouver at 9 o'clock to-morrow (Sunday) morning.

The *Victoria Business College* has about fifty pupils enrolled, the most of whom are taking the Business Course. *

—The Sir James Douglas replaced the spar buoy on Burnaby Reef, near Brockton Point, Burrard Inlet, which has been missing for some time.

—The Taylor safe is the only fire and burglar proof safe in the market. Waitt & Co., agents. *

—Secure your books and valuable papers against fire by getting one of Taylor's safes. Waitt & Co., agents. *

—The Odd Fellows of Vancouver have decided upon giving a grand ball in the Wilson block on the evening of Tuesday, 24th inst. A number of Victorians have signified their intention of being present.

—Inks. Walkden's, Arnold's, Stephens, Antoin's, Carter's, and Sanford's at T. N. Hibben & Co.'s

—Persons contemplating buying a safe should get one of the well known Taylor's safes, for which M. W. Waitt & Co. are agents. *

The only place in the city for a glass of British Beer on draught is the Occidental Hotel. XXX Edinburgh

—The San Francisco *Bulletin* observes that Wellington coal is selling at the mine for $4 per ton. The duty is 75c. and freight charged is at the rate of $3 a ton, yet coal at the ship's side in that city is $12 a ton. It is evident that between dealers' prices and those charged the consumer there is a wide margin. Some one must be making hay just now at a rapid rate.

—The Goldie & McCulloch safes are for sale in this market. They require no puffing, as they are known to be fire proof and perfect in every particular. G. Robertson, agent, Victoria and Vancouver. *

—The fire inquest at Sumas was concluded on Wednesday, and a man name John Rigby committed for trial on suspicion of having set fire to Mr. Bowman's building.

—Stop that cough, by the use of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral—the best specific for all throat and lung diseases. It will allay inflammation, aid respiration, and strengthen the vocal organs. Ayer's Almanacs are free to all. Ask for one. *

—The brethren of the "mystic tie" are under an obligation to Grand Master Milne for the success which attended his efforts in bringing Dr. Rob Morris to this city and the pleasure it gave the craft here to have so distinguished a Mason in their midst.

Swearing In.

Mayor elect Grant and the new Councillors will be sworn in by Chief Justice Sir M. B. Begbie at 11 a. m. next Monday.

St. Andrew's Church.

The Rev. Thomas Scoular, of St. Andrew's, New Westminster, will preach in St. Andrew's Church to-morrow morning and evening.

Nanaimo Election.

The following councillors for the middle ward were elected in the Black Diamond City on Thursday last: J. Hilbert, W. E. Webb and J. Randle, Jr.

STOCK TAKING SALE.

The end of this month closes our financial year, and prior to Stock taking we are prepared to offer extraordinary inducements to Cash purchasers far below our usual prices. Those in want of Blank Books or Office Supplies will find our Stock the most complete and lowest in price in the City.

B. C. STAT'Y & P'T'G CO.,
J. S. FERGUSON.

Nubian Blacking.

Used by the Army and Navy, in stock at the B. C. Boot and Shoe Store, opposite Post Office. H. MANSELL. *

The Spoiled Ballots.

Of the sixteen spoiled ballots, three were rejected because they were marked for both candidates, and the others because the names of the candidates for whom it was intended to vote were written on the papers by the voters.

1888.

Letts' office and Canadian pocket diary, blank books, esp and letter copying books, and a large supply of the many requisites for the incoming year for sale at T. N. Hibben & Co.'s *

Yearly Gems.

The "Yearly Gems" of British Columbia are now ready, at Mrs. R. Maynard's. Ladies who have had their little one's photographs taken at her studio during 1887, and who have not already received one of the Gems, can do so by calling at the photograph studio, Douglas street. *

Christmas Presents.

Those wishing above would do well to send their orders at one to insure their being in time and to prevent disappointment to W. H. Pennock, Practical Jeweller & Diamond Setter. Gold plating and general repairs. Denny's Block, upstairs, Government St. Best Quality, Latest Styles, Reasonable Prices. *

Cold Weather.

Ladies', Misses', and Gents' THICK GERMAN FELT SHOES, just in time for the season, at the B. C. Boot & Shoe Store, opposite the post office.

H. MANSELL.

B. C. Benevolent Society.

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting of the British Columbia Benevolent Society, held in the City Hall on Friday afternoon: James Fell, President (re-elected); A. J. Langley, Vice-President (re-elected); Secretary-Treasurer, W. H. Mason (re-elected. Committee—T. J. Barnes, Joseph Wilson, R. Brown, G. Doughty, H. Mansell, L. Goodacre, W. Heathorn, H. Young, and J. Grant.

Drug Store.

Mr. Blanchard, having purchased Mr. Atwood's interest in the firm of R. Atwood & Co., can be found at his store on Government street, next door to Neufelder & Ross. Drugs, Chemicals, Toilet Articles, Patent Medicines, etc. Prescriptions compounded. M. G. BLANCHARD.*

Fire Last Night.

The alarm at 6:45 last night was caused by a fire in a Chinese store on Cormorant street. The fire was making good headway when the firemen arrived. In a short time the fire was located and a stream from the hydrant was turned on by No. 3 Company. In twenty minutes the fire was out, and the firemen retached to their houses. The fire was caused by a defective stovepipe igniting the shingles. The fire department were out nine times during the present month, and four times within forty-eight hours.

Xmas Presents.

Nothing better or more acceptable for a Xmas present than your photograph. Sit now and avoid hurry and delay.

HALL & LOWE,
The leading photographers, Govt St.*

The Knights.

W. S. Chambers, D. S. C., installed the following officers of Far West Lodge No. 1, Knights of Pythias, last evening: R. J. Plummer, P C C; J S Fullerton, C C; S L Redgrave, V C; Geo Etheridge, P; H B Rendall, M of A; D F Fee, Jr, M of F; B H Johns, K of R and S; J Cohen, M of A. After the installation the brethern were invited to the Poodle Dog *rotisserie* where a splendid banquet was given by the newly installed officers.

The Finest Out.

Ladies' feather weight rubbers at

GEO. H. MAYNARD'S *

A Strong Firm.

Messrs. A. W. Ross, M. P., and H. T. Ceperley, two well known real estate brokers in Vancouver, have formed a copartnership as real estate, insurance and financial agents. They have opened an office in the splendid premises of Lady Stephen on Hastings street, next door to the post office. The office is one of the most elegant and commodious in the country, being fitted up expressly for the requirements of the firm. The firm of Ross & Ceperley will command a large percentage of the business in their line at the terminal city, both being old and well known residents of the place. In Vancouver the company have secured a location for their works which is admirable in every respect for the business for which the works are intended, being easy of access for vessels conveying coal and other material intended for gas manufacture. All the plant and machinery is of the most modern description and placed in position with the view of supplying a city of 30,000 inhabitants.

An Enterprising Company.

The Vancouver journals report the completion of the gas works in that city and that they are now in full operation, supplying gas of an excellent quality, registering an average of over 20-candle power with a steadiness that is remarkable. The American *Gas Light Journal* makes a favorable reference to this company, whose president is Dr. Milne of this city. The works were erected by the British Columbia Construction Company, who also built the New Westminster and Nanaimo works, each of which are giving excellent satisfaction. The B. C. Construction Company is an enterprising one, embracing in its membership some of Victoria's most substantial moneyed men, who are not afraid to launch out their means in enterprises of advantage alike to the country and themselves. The price charged for gas is placed at the reasonable rate of $3 per thousand cubic feet, and as a consequence the consumers in each of the places named already is large and constantly increasing. The prospects of the company for a satisfactory yield of their investments we are pleased to learn are of the most encouraging character.

☞ Roller Skating Rink Open Every Day.

TO THE MAYOR-ELECT.

The town was easily won at joint,
As anyone could see;
A man doesn't call his life his own,
For fear of H. W. G.,
But we'd a man amongst us though,
Who hit him dd at cards a lick,
And elected he was sure to be,
In spite of the "Tomlinites" C.

Now, Conn. Grant, you're the man we mean,
Who never cringed your knee,
But manfully fought for what was right,
Though only one to three.
Its only fair that the vacant chair
Will next be filled by thee,
For God sends night to men that's right,
As well as to Battery "C."

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 11, 1888.

JOSEPH SPRATT.

He Dies at San Jose, Cal.—An Outline of His Life.

A telegram received to-day by Mr. George Haynes from Mr. Isaac Lipsett, San Jose, Cal., brought the sad intelligence of the death, on the 12th inst., of Mr. Joseph Spratt of this city. Owing to an interruption to the telegraph wires, the message was delayed at Seattle and was brought over by the Olympian this morning. The news spread rapidly through the city and was received with universal expressions of regret.

The deceased was born in London, England, and was in his 55th year. He was educated in Brussels and learned his trade in England with the celebrated firm of Penn, the marine engine builder. He left England in 1853, 35 years ago, for California, and started the Albion Foundry in San Francisco, where he carried on a successful business for many years. He built the first locomotive on the Pacific Coast, which ran between Market street, San Francisco, and the Willows, a distance of about two miles. In 1861 he came to Victoria, and with characteristic energy at once set to work. He laid the foundation of the Albion Works, which he subsequently built up to its present large capacity, and then formed the present joint stock company, to which he transferred the business in 1882. He was the pioneer steamboat owner on the east coast, being the first to establish regular communication with the settlements to the north of Victoria, with the steamers Emma and Maude. He afterwards owned and ran in the same service the steamers Cariboo Fly and Wilson G. Hunt, but sold the Maude and W. G. Hunt to the Canadian Pacific Navigation Company, about five years ago and withdrew from the trade. He still owned the Cariboo Fly, Eliza, Emma and Spratt's Ark, and also the valuable piece of property known as Spratt's wharf, which is leased by the C. P. N. Co. Some years ago Mr. Spratt spent considerable time and a large sum of money in an effort to establish a herring fishery on Barrard Inlet and in building up a new industry. Spratt's Cannery and Spratt's Ark—a floating cannery itself, expensively fitted up with machinery and propelled by steam—were until recently prominent objects on Coal Harbor. The industry was established for the purpose of extracting the oil from the herrings, and manufacturing the refuse into a fertilizer. The cannery, unfortunately, was burned down about two years, and Mr. Spratt's health beginning to decline it was not rebuilt. The last enterprise in which he engaged was the building of the Victoria Machinery Depot, which is managed by Spratt & Gray, Mr. Andrew Gray having been associated with the deceased for the last twelve years. This business was started a little over a year ago, and at that time Mr. Spratt caught a severe cold from exposure, incurred in his anxiety to complete the buildings before the return of Mr. Gray from England, where he had been visiting Mr. Spratt's and his own friends. He never recovered from its effects, and the cold eventually turned into dropsy, from which time the doctors had no hope. All the medical skill that could be procured was engaged but without success, and a visit was afterwards made to Banff and Harrison Hot Springs without beneficial effect. On the 15th of October last, Mr. Spratt went to California to seek a change of climate and in hopes of finding renewed health, but gradually declined since leaving here. Before his death he expressed a wish to be buried in Victoria and the body will be brought here. Due notice will be given of the funeral. Joseph Spratt was one of our best known and most highly esteemed citizens. Enterprising and public spirited, his energies were devoted to building up a large and prosperous business. He was essentially a working man and a friend of the working men. Whatever his hand found to do he did it with all his might, and in the accomplishment of his object no petty obstacle was permitted to obstruct his progress. For many years the Albion Iron Works was the only manufacturing enterprise of any dimensions in the city, and during that time the public spirit of the deceased was admittedly one of the factors that placed our city in a leading position on the North Pacific. He was open-handed and open-hearted, and no deserving object of charity ever turned away from his door unassisted. Having attained to large wealth entirely by his indomitable perseverance and energy, he was ever ready to use it in the development of the city and province. He could not hoard money any more than he could be uncharitable or stand still and do nothing. He died the possessor of an ample fortune and of much valuable real estate (which it is understood he has willed to his relatives), and retaining the friendship and esteem of every man who had the pleasure of his personal acquaintance.

Fire at Westminster.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Jan. 14.—A fire broke out at 2 p. m., in the drying house of the Royal City Mills, but through the prompt action of the fire brigade, which turned out with great alacrity, the fire was soon got under control. The loss is comparatively small.

'Is Own Medicine.

Portland *Mercury*: "Editors seldom bring suits for libel, no matter how often they are themselves sued. An exception to this rule is that of David W. Higgins, a member of the colonial parliament at Victoria, and at one time editor of the British *Colonist*. He has just sued the Victoria TIMES for $10,000 worth of pecuniary damages growing out of "references to allusions." Mr. 'Iggins is rapidly becoming a bobject of hinterest. It's a poor doctor as won't stand hap and take 'is hown medicine, you know. Mr. 'Iggins is a portly, well-fed gentleman who looks as though he were fond of his roast beef rare; and 'ence these steers."

The Crofters' Movement.

An Ottawa dispatch of the 13th announces that Mr. Alex. Begg, has arrived in that city en route for Victoria where he will lay before the government the result of his mission. He says the Crofters gladly accept the proffered aid, and and if the British Columbia Government guarantees an Imperial loan, delegates will be sent out to report on the prospects. Morrison, the leader of the Crofter movement, will not be able to visit Canada.

Mr. R. T. Williams.

To new comers it may be interesting to know that Mr. R. T. Williams, the opposition candidate for the Local Legislature, is a large employer of labor in this city; that he has no sympathy with, nor is he an employer of, Chinese; that he has been a successful business man and that throughout his lengthened career his word has been as good as his bond; that his employees he is esteemed, for his many excellent qualities of heart as well of hand. He is largely interested in Victoria as a real estate owner. In other sections of the province he has likewise an interest. Being a progressive man—full of energy and enterprise—he does not spare his means or his time in developing the vast resources of the province. He is just the right stamp of a person for a Legislator, and one that will give a good account of his stewardship. Those voting for him will never be ashamed of their act nor disappointed with his efforts.

Baptist Church.

Preaching at the Baptist Church at 11 a. m., and 7 p. m. Text of sermons: Morning, "I have put off my coat; how shall I put it on?" Evening, "That which hath been is now; and that which is to be hath already been; and God requireth that which is past."

Outgoing Passengers.

The following were passengers on the Umatilla: D J Lohman, Adam Wier and wife, Mrs A P Briggs, H Tilman, Victor Jenson, J Musgrave, E Kelly, Mrs W B Townsend, R C Lyons, Mrs Krone, J W Byrnes, J J Wilson, Reuben Alberstone.

A. F. & A. M.

Instructive Lecture Last Night by Dr Rob Morris—Recites a Poem.

According to announcement in THE TIMES a large number of brethern assembled on Friday evening in Masonic hall to listen to an instructive discourse on Masonry by the eminent Dr. Rob Morris, of Kentucky, the poet laureate and recognized lecturer of the order. The gathering being a joint one, W. Masters Northcotte and Moss occupied seats on the dais representing Victoria-Columbia and Vancouver Quadra Lodges. W. M. Northcote opened and closed the lodge. M. W. Grand Master, Bro. A. R. Milne, accompanied by W. P. G. M. Henry Brown, introduced the distinguished lecturer to the brethern, who received him as well as the grand lodge officers with the usual honors. Grand Master Milne presided whilst the able lecturer was discoursing so acceptably to the brethren on the beauties of the noble order to which they belonged. Previous to commencing his lecture the distinguished brother recited the following ode, dedicated to Grand Master Milne:

Oh, what shall I ask for thee, dear Milne?
When on my knees in prayer,
My heart goes up to the Throne on high,
And pleads for the friends most dear.
Will length of life, and freedom from strife,
And wealth and health suffice?
Then will I pray the gracious God,
Give these as a fitting prize.

And when the grave shall fall, dear Milne,
And death draws near your couch,
May hands reach down, unfailing and strong,
And raise you to the sky!
There good words spoken and good deeds done,
And prayers for your fellow man
Are all recorded at the Throne
And all remembered then.

May He, who gives you honor here,
Amongst this noble band,
Grant that through Heaven's eternal year
That honor still may stand!
May stand, and spread the wide world through,
Wherever the Craft are seen,
That both in Heaven and here below
Your memory may be green!

The doctor recited many selections from his prose as well as his poems. His descriptive powers are of a very high order, enchaining the attention of his audience to the subject matter in hand. During a recess which took place he exhibited his collection of rare and curious coins, precious stones and relicts from the Holy Land, including a piece of stone from Solomon's Temple. At the conclusion of the lecture he conferred the degree of Pilgrim Knight on those present, all the names of whom were enrolled by him. The lecture throughout was a most instructive one, and highly appreciated by the brethren present. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered him. In replying thereto he referred to the great kindness he had received at the hands of Grand Master Milne and the members of the order in the city.

The doctor left this morning for Nanaimo, where he will lecture to-night; Wellington on Monday; Vancouver on Tuesday; New Westminster, Wednesday; Kamloops, Friday; Donald, Monday, and from thence to Calgary and other eastern points. He intends revisiting Victoria at a future date.

The Bat.

At the Victoria last night was put on the boards to a fair-sized house. As usual the company acted their respective parts in an extremely creditable manner, fully sustaining the high reputation this company has attained throughout the coast. To-night they appear for the last time in "A Night in Venice." A full house should greet them.

Passengers Arriving.

Per steamer Yosemite from Vancouver—Mr and Mrs W S Townsend, Miss Black, Mrs McColl, Mrs Jackson, G H P Allen, Johnstone, W Guttridge, M Gray, J Peter, D McDonald, W Shakespeare, Lyons, Fraser, E W Clark, N Kelly, H D McIntyre, A G Ferguson, H G Barnes, J W Byrnes, Forbes, Lee Don, N Wittenberg, J M Sparrow, Rev Scoullar, J Pontz, J Smith, Lee Soong, D Ecols.

By the star Olympian from Sound yesterday: J Goubin, W R Wilson, G B Johnson, A McAllister, H B Eagle, Wm Foster, C Barnes, E P Hoeging, E Dolph, D Harris and wife, Chas Butler, O Knapp and wife, Estan, D E Brown, Capt Webber, Capt John Irving, J J Ballotin, E Platt, H Chaffy, G Eastman, A Phillips, H Young, F Burns, Rosenbaum and wife, Chapman, T M Hammond, C L Terry, 1 Indian.

Consignees.

Per the Olympian from the Sound to-day—A R Johnson, Angus & Gordon, Hoffman & Bates, J H Todd & Son, J A Bascowitz & Co, Langley & Co, Wm Eckret, Neufelder & Ross.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the above Association will be held at the Rooms of the Y. M. C. A., Broad Street, on MONDAY, the 16th inst., at 8 P. M.

By order,

E. H. FLETCHER,
Hon. Secretary.

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NEW TO-DAY.

THE ANNIE WRIGHT SEMINARY

HAS BEEN CROWDED TO ITS UTMOST capacity during the present term; but now twenty-five additional sleeping rooms have been furnished and many boarders can be received.

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THE EASTER TERM

Begins on Thursday, the 26th January, 1888. Pupils admitted at any time.

For admission apply to the Principal,

MRS. LERUEL H. WELLS.

ja14 1m Tacoma, Wash. Ter.

NOTICE TO BUILDERS.

THE UNDERSIGNED WILL RECEIVE Tenders up to noon, Saturday, 21st inst., for the erection of a Three Story Brick Business Premises, facing Broad Street, near Fort, for A. & W. Wilson, Plumbers and Gas Fitters, &c.

Lowest or any Tender will not necessarily be accepted.

JNO. TEAGUE,
Architect.

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LEGISLATIVE.

To the Voters of Victoria City:

GENTLEMEN:—As an Opposition Candidate, I offer myself for Legislative honors, and hereby ask for your votes and influence.

R. T. WILLIAMS.

Victoria, 13th January, 1888. ja14

DR. ROB MORRIS

Will Lecture on Sunday at 4 P. M., before the Y. M. C. A. at their Hall.

SUBJECT:

"The Holy Law as a Testimony."

All are invited. A rare collection of ancient coins will be exhibited and described.

NOTICE.

THE PRELIMINARY MEETING OF THE French Benevolent and Mutual Association will be held at the Parlor of the above named institution on Sunday next, 15th instant, at 3 o'clock, P. M. sharp.

By order of the Board.

ja13td J. G. GEDDES, Sec'y.

VICTORIA THEATRE.

THE DRAMATIC EVENT.

Wednesday & Thursday, Jan. 18-19

Engagement of the Romantic Actor

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Both plays mounted with Special Scenery and Novel Mechanical Effects.

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Provincial Election.

To the Electors of the City of Victoria:

GENTLEMEN—

The undersigned beg to state that they have decided to withdraw from the approaching election in favor of Mr. R. T. Williams, who has decided to contest the City as a supporter of the Opposition party, and trust that our friends will give to Mr. Williams their votes and influence.

E. B. CARMICHAEL.
W. A. ROBERTSON.

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A GREAT REPERTOIRE.

WEDNESDAY, - - - "Nanon."
THURSDAY, - "Beggar Student."
FRIDAY, - - - "The Bat."
SATURDAY, "A Night in Venice."

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AUCTIONEERS.

Trade Sale.

Congou and Japan Teas,

BY ORDER OF THE

HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY,

EX S. S. BATAVIA.

We have been instructed to sell by Public Auction at Salesroom, Wharf Street, on

Wednesday, Jan'y 25th, 1888,

AT 11 O'CLOCK, A. M.

For the purpose of introducing their Special Brands into this Market and will sell the first shipment of

138—HALF CHESTS—138

BLACK TEAS

—COMPRISING—

50 hf chests Horsehead, 30lbs. ea., No. 1 Choice Japan Black.
40 hf chests Circle, 35lbs., No. 2 Finest Japan Black.
30 hf chests Circle, 45lbs., No. 4 Medium Black.

ALSO, BY ORDER OF CONSIGNEE.

40 mats, 20 1-4lb. tins, Choicest Japan Tea.
20 mats, ea 10 1-4lb. tins, Finest Japan Tea.

☞ All Teas will be sold in parcels of 5 packages and upwards; no reserve on any lots offered.

TERMS AT SALE.

JOSHUA DAVIES,
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c Dec12-1m Principal, Victoria, B. C.

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THE SECOND TERM OF

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Will begin on

Friday, 13th Jan., at 7.30 P. M.,

In the Baptist Church School-room, Herald St., near Blanchard. All desiring to cultivate this most natural gift should not fail to be present at the opening.

ja11 2w JAMES MILLAR.

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Men's Fur and Tweed Caps,
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$3.00, now $1.50.
" Real Beaver, Handsome Goods,
$3.50, now $1.75.
" Sealskin Caps,
$3.25, now $1.50.
" Very Handsome Caps,
$5.00, now $2.50.

Argyle House

CLARENCE BLOCK.

Douglas Street, Victoria, B. C.

J. P. DAVIES & CO.,

AUCTIONEERS.

WEDNESDAY, 18th JAN., 1888.

WE have been instructed to sell by Public Auction by order of J. C. Fraser, Esq., Registrar of the Supreme Court,

AT 11 O'CLOCK, A. M.,

The Estate of Charles Patrick Donnelly, (deceased Intestate).

All that piece or parcel of land and excellent business site at Harrison River, being so Lot 10 A. G. L., in the Yale-Lytton District, B. C., containing Two and One-Half Acres, more or less, situated near the junction of Harrison and Fraser Rivers.

—TERMS CASH—

JOSHUA DAVIES,
dec17-td Auctioneer.

GEO. BYRNES,

AUCTIONEER.

AUCTION.

24th January, at 11 A. M.

Estate of Jas. Bryden,

(DECEASED.)

Farm at North Saanich.

I have been instructed by Mr. Henry Brethour, Jas. and executor of the late James Bryden, to sell by Auction, on the premises, North Saanich, the

FREEHOLD PROPERTY

of deceased, consisting of a farm at North Saanich, being Sec. 10 & 30, Rge 3, East, containing 100 acres of land, more or less. This property is situate about one-fourth of a mile from the Saanich Wharf, and partly fenced, dwelling house and out-buildings. Twenty-five acres are cleared. Also, two Work Horses, ten sheep, one Dump Cart, one Spring Cart, Plough, &c., &c., one Two-Horse-Power Threshing Machine, Household Effects and last season's Crop.

TERMS OF SALE, CASH.

GEO. BYRNES,
ja11d Auctioneer.

BRITISH COLUMBIA MILLING AND MINING CO., LIMITED.

Head Office, principal place of business, Victoria. Location of Works, Carbon.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT CALL No. 17, of one per cent. per share, upon the members of the British Columbia Milling and Mining Company, (Limited), made on the sixth day of October, A. D. 1887, is now due and payable, in respect of the shares hereinafter specified, and that there is now due and unpaid upon the following described shares, on account of the said assessment, the several amounts set opposite the names of the respective holders of such shares, namely:

	No. of Certificate.	No. of Shares.	Amount.
John Irving	395	500	$5 00
Forbes G. Vernon	720	400	4 00
Forbes G. Vernon	724	100	1 00
Forbes G. Vernon	725	100	1 00
Forbes G. Vernon	726	100	1 00

The above mentioned shares, or so many thereof as will cover the amount due, with interest at the rate of one per cent. per month from the fifth day of November, A. D. 1887, and expenses, will be sold by public auction at the office of the said company, in the City of Victoria, British Columbia, on Saturday, the twenty-first day of January, 1888, at the hour of twelve o'clock at noon, Standard Time.

By order of the Board.

Dated at Victoria, the 11th day of January, 1888.

GEO. A. SARGISON,
ja11td dw Secretary.

I. O. O. F.

ENTERTAINMENT AND SOCIAL.

Friday Evening, 20th inst.

The very best Amateur talent of the city has been secured. After the Entertainment

The Floor will be cleared for Dancing!

Tickets, $1.00, admitting gentleman and two ladies, to be had of the Committee. ja9 td

WALTER D. KINNAIRD,
Secretary of Committee.

BURNS' ANNIVERSARY.

ST. ANDREW'S & CALEDONIAN SOCIETY'S

Annual : Ball

Will be held in the Assembly Rooms, Fort Street, on

Wednesday, Jan. 25th, 1888.

TICKETS, $2, can be had from any of the following members of the Committee:

A. J. SMITH.	ROBT. MCLEOD.
JOHN GRANT.	PETER JOHNSON.
J. G. GEDDES.	ALEX. MUNRO.
JOHN PATERSON.	JOHN ROBERTSON.
R. MCDONALD.	THOS. GORE.
WM. SCOTT.	DAVID BOYD.

D. R. MUNRO,
ja10td dw Secretary.

"Land Registry Ordinance 1870."

LOT NO. 1120 VICTORIA CITY.

WHEREAS the Certificate of Title of Margaret Cossom, formerly of Victoria, Province of British Columbia, to the above mentioned Lot bearing date the 26th day of September, 1862, has been lost and application has been made for a duplicate of such certificate. Notice is therefore hereby given that such duplicate will be issued unless cause be shown to the contrary, in writing, within one month from the date hereof.

CHARLES FOX LEIGHTON,
Registrar-General.

Land Registry Office, Victoria, 26th Dec., 1887.

B. C. Benevolent Society.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the above Society will be held at the Police Court Room, City Hall, on Friday, 13th instant, at 8 p. m., when the annual report will be presented. A full attendance of subscribers and of those interested in the society is earnestly requested.

W. H. MASON,
Hon. Sec.-Treas.